

## Message Text

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 2074

C O N F I D E N T I A L PRETORIA 4663

FOR AF DICK MOOSE ONLY FROM LOW

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PDEV, OGEN, RH  
SUBJECT: COMMUNICATIONS WITH SALISBURY AND LOW TRAVEL

1. AS WE GET CLOSER TO A MEETING, I FIND MY INABILITY  
TO COMMUNICATE QUICKLY AND EASILY WITH YOU VERY FRUSTRATING.  
IT HAS BECOME VERY DIFFICULT TO GET PLANE RESERVATIONS  
BETWEEN JOHANNESBURG AND SALISBURY SO THAT SENDING  
SECRETARIES UP IS BECOMING A PROBLEM EVEN IF PRETORIA  
HAD ENOUGH TO SPARE. FOR INSTANCE, THERE IS NOT A SINGLE  
SEAT AVAILABLE ON A PLANE TO JOHANNESBURG BETWEEN TODAY  
(FRIDAY) AND NEXT WEDNESDAY.

2. THIS IS ONE REASON WHY I HAVE SUGGESTED  
RETURNING TO LUSAKA TO WORK ON DETAILS FROM THAT END ONCE A  
DATE AND PLACE IS DEFINITELY AGREED ON. HOWEVER, IF THAT DECISION  
GETS DRAGGED OUT, AS MAY WELL HAPPEN, I WONDER HOW LONG I SHOULD  
REMAIN HERE. I AM PERFECTLY WILLING TO DO SO BUT HAVE SOME QUALMS  
ABOUT BEING AWAY FROM LUSAKA TOO LONG.

3. IF WE DO NOT GET A DEFINITE AGREEMENT ON A MEETING  
DATE AND PLACE EARLY NEXT WEEK, I WILL COME DOWN TO  
PRETORIA TO TALK TO YOU BY PHONE ABOUT THE ABOVE AND  
SOME OTHER QUESTIONS I HAVE. I WOULD PROBABLY DO THIS  
WEDNESDAY UNLESS YOU HAVE ANY OTHER SUGGESTION.

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